



**TOWNSHIP OF UPPER UWCHLAN
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
REGULAR MEETING**

**November 19, 2012
7:00 p.m.**

Approved

Attending:

Board of Supervisors

**Kevin C. Kerr, Chair
Guy A. Donatelli, Vice-Chair
Catherine A. Tomlinson, Member**

Township Administration

**Cary B. Vargo, Township Manager
Gwen A. Jonik, Township Secretary
Jill Bukata, CPA, Township Treasurer
John DeMarco, Police Chief
Mike Heckman, Director of Public Works
Dave Leh, P.E., Gilmore & Associates**

Mr. Kerr called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., led the salute to the flag, and offered a moment of silence.

Mr. Kerr announced the Conditional Use Hearing for the Frame Property has been continued to December 17, 2012.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to approve as presented the minutes of the October 9, 2012 Board of Supervisors Workshop. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Tomlinson moved, seconded by Mr. Donatelli, to approve as presented the minutes of the October 15, 2012 Board of Supervisors Meeting. The Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Payments

Mr. Kerr announced the payments from the General Fund total \$264,267.44, Capital Fund \$142,576.79, Solid Waste Fund \$79,751.24 and Act 209 Fund \$15,082.82. Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson to approve the payments as presented. The Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Jill Bukata reported the balance sheet is strong, with earned income tax revenues exceeding budget.

Supervisor's Report

Mr. Kerr introduced Mr. Derald Hay, who is interested in serving on the Township's Planning Commission. The Board met Mr. Hay at their recent Workshop. Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to appoint Derald Hay to the Planning Commission for a 5-year term that will expire December 31, 2017. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kerr read the following emergency service providers reports for the month of September: Ludwigs Corner Fire Company – 2 fire calls, 6 QRS calls; Lionville Fire Company – 3 fire calls; East Brandywine Fire Company - 1 fire call in July, 0 fire calls in August and September; Glenmoore Fire Company – report not received; Uwchlan Ambulance – 26 calls; and TeenAid - 0 calls.

Mr. Kerr read the following emergency service providers reports for the month of October: Ludwigs Corner Fire Company – 5 fire calls, 6 QRS calls; Lionville Fire Company – 8 fire calls; East Brandywine Fire Company – 0 fire calls; Glenmoore Fire Company – report not received; Uwchlan Ambulance 38 calls; and TeenAid – 2 calls.

Administration Reports

Township Engineer's Report

Dave Leh reported that Toll is revising the Frame Property Conditional Use plans and will submit them for Consultants' and Planning Commission review prior to the December 17 Hearing.

Building and Codes Department

Al Gaspari was not present this evening.

Police Chief's Report

Chief DeMarco reported the Department logged 831 calls in October. The majority of the 7 arrests were DUIs. Remember to lock your cars to deter property theft.

Public Works Department

Mike Heckman reported the new salt shed at the Public Works facility is under construction, and the adaptive traffic control system is in the second 30-day test cycle.

ADMINISTRATION

Cary Vargo thanked the Department Heads and Treasurer Jill Bukata for their diligence and prudence in drafting the proposed 2013 budget, which totals \$8,115,724. Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson to advertise the Proposed 2013 Budget. So moved. The proposed budget will be posted on the Township website. Steve McNaughton commented the Supervisors' compensation could be increased. The Supervisors replied they do not wish to increase their compensation.

Firemen's Relief Fund Annual Distribution. Cary Vargo explained the annual distribution of funds to each Fire Company's Firemen's Relief Fund, this year totaling \$99,097.38. This funding comes from the State via a tax on premiums for both casualty and fire insurances sold in Pennsylvania by out-of-state insurance companies. These funds are distributed in correlation to the Fire Company's response rate in the Township. Mrs. Tomlinson moved, seconded by Mr. Donatelli, to distribute the Funds as follows: Lionville Fire Relief 37%; Ludwigs Corner Fire Relief 58%, East Brandywine Fire Relief 4% and Glenmoore Fire Relief 1%. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to adopt Ordinance #2012-03, establishing regulations associated with the installation, use and removal of Alternative Energy Systems – solar, wind, geothermal. The Planning Commission drafted the Ordinance, the County Planning Commission and Township Board of Supervisors have reviewed the drafts, and public input was also incorporated. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to adopt Ordinance #2012-04, establishing the Tax Collector's compensation for the next Term – January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2017. The compensation is reduced from the current 3% to 2 %. Ben LaGarde, current Tax Collector, commented that he is supportive of the reduction as it is in keeping with the duties and tasks of the position, and it's important to attract someone to that position who will respond to the public. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to adopt Ordinance #2012-05, amending the Non-Uniformed Employee Pension Plan member contribution rate language to be consistent with Uniformed Employee Pension Plan member contribution rate of 5%. The amended language provides flexibility for the Board to annually adjust the contribution rate via Resolution. The Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Donatelli moved, seconded by Mrs. Tomlinson, to authorize the advertisement of an Ordinance amendment to include Old West Township Line Road in the Vehicle and Traffic Ordinance Section that restricts stopping, standing and parking. The Motion carried unanimously.

Open Session

Steve McNaughton commented that he recently attended an Elected Auditors seminar and each Municipality should have a Board of Auditors.

Adjournment

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, Mr. Kerr adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gwen A. Jonik,
Township Secretary